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SUBJECT: AID EXCESS PROPERTY - MEDICAL SUPPLIES

REF: A) STATE 23278 (AIDAC) B) ASUNCION 1210; C) STATE 6661 (AIDAC)

1. PARA 3 REFTEL A) INSTRUCTED EMBASSY THAT PAYMENT OF ACQUISITION AND SHIPPING COSTS WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE BY LOCAL FOUNDATION IN ADVANCE OF SHIPMENT OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES. THUS, EMBASSY WAS SURPRISED TO LEARN IN PARA 3 REF TEL C) THAT SUPPLIES ARE ENROUTE DESPITE ABSENCE OF PAYMENT.

2. EMBASSY APPRECIATES REASONS WHICH LED AID/W TO PROCEED WITH SHIPMENT BEFORE PAYMENT HAS BEEN MADE. ARRANGEMENTS TO THAT END ARE PROCEEDING, BUT ARE VERY DELICATE. AS STATED PARA 7 REFTEL B) LOCAL FOUNDATION IS EXTREMELY APPREHENSIVE ABOUT HAVING TO ENTER INTO A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH WHEREBY THE MINISTRY WOULD RETAIN TITLE TO PROPERTY FOR WHICH THE FOUNDATION HAS MADE PAYMENT.

3. IN ORDER TO KEEP RISKS OF MINISTRY PROBLEMS AT A MINIMUM AND TO KEEP COSTS AT A MINIMUM FOR THE FOUNDATION, THE EMBASSY REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS BY AID/W:

A) PREPARATION OF ALL NECESSARY SHIPPING DOCUMENTS CONSIGNING SHIPMENT OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO USAID/P,
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FOR THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH, FOR DONATION TO

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FOUNDATION NUESTRA SENORA DE ASUNCION. IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT ALL DOCUMENTS BE PREPARED AS ABOVE, TO FACILITATE CUSTOMS CLEARANCE AND TO ENABLE USAID/P TO RETAIN BETTER CONTROL OF SUBSEQUENT DELIVERY TO THE FOUNDATION;

B) ELIMINATION FROM SHIPMENT OF ONE ITEM, CHLORAMPHEN, WHICH HAS A NOMINAL DOLLAR VALUE OF $68,400, MORE THAN A THIRD OF THE SHIPMENT'S TOTAL FACE VALUE ($162,790.15). THIS WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCE FOUNDATION'S COSTS;

C) APPROVAL BY AID/W OF LETTER OF COMMITMENT FROM BANCO HOLANDES UNIDO THAT DEPOSIT (FROM LOAN TO FOUNDATION) TO USAID-EMBASSY TRUST ACCOUNT WILL BE MADE AS SOON AS SHIPMENT ARRIVES IN ASUNCION. INASMUCH AS SUPPLIES ALREADY SHIPPED WITHOUT DEPOSIT, THIS PROCEDURE WILL SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE FINANCE CHANGES FOR FOUNDATION.

4. EMBASSY APPRECIATES PAST EFFORTS OFLAID/W. FAVORABLE RESPONSE ASAP TO ABOVE REQUESTS WOULD GREATLY FACILITATE SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF THIS UNDERTAKING.
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